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RESPONSE TO DENIAL OF REQUEST FOR POWER OF ATTORNEY

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 27, 2008, Applicants submit an executed Power of Attorney and a Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b).

Applicants believe no fees are due, but authorize charging of any underpayment or crediting of any overcharge to Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

Respectfully submitted,

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